

NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION—FINAL RULE

MISSISSIPPI SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES Office for Children and Youth

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Date Rule Proposed: May 31, 2006

Specific Legal Authority Authorizing the promulgation of Rule: 2006 Regular Session, S.B.2602, Lines 1577-1589.

Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule: The purpose of this Rule is to implement a pilot project to improve the quality of child care services in the State of Mississippi. This Quality Rating System is set up to encourage Mississippi's licensed child care providers to maintain the best and most current practices as it relates to Early Childhood Care and Education through a Quality Rated System.

The Agency Rule Making Record for this rule including any written comments received during the comment period and the record of any oral proceeding is available for public inspection by contacting the Agency at the above address.

☐ An oral proceeding was held on this rule:

Date: {Insert Date} Time: {Insert Time} Place: {Insert Place}

An oral proceeding was not held on this rule

The Agency has considered the written comments and the presentations made in any oral proceedings, and

- This rule as adopted is without variance from the proposed rule.
- This rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule as there are minor editorial changes which affect the form rather than the substance of the rule.
- □ The rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule. The differences however are:
 Within the scope of the matters in the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption, the logical outgrowth of the contents of the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption and the comments submitted in response thereto, and The Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption provided fair warning that the outcome of the proposed rule adoption could be the rule in question.

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Effective Date of Rule: July 1, 2006

Signature and Title of Person Submitting Rule for Filing

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